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1. The Partai Komunis Indonesia (PKI) at Fort de Kock has ordered all persons between the years of 15 and 45 in the Djambi and Indragiri areas in Sumatra to register. This registration, which is to begin 1 October 1948, is in preparation for guerrilla activities which are to begin the early part of 1949.
2. Since August, small groups of the Beroeang Merah have been seen in the area of Pasoeroean, Bangil, Pandakan and Porong in Java.
3. There was a rumor in Fort de Kock that the Communists planned to form a Tentara Merah Indonesia. As a result of this rumor the military police are now (21 September) guarding all buildings used by the PKI. A large number of leaders and persons suspected of being leaders of the PKI in Fort de Kock have been arrested.
4. A preparatory committee of the Front Nasional for Sumatra has been formed in Fort de Kock under the leadership of M.S. Xarim, who is chairman of the PKI in Sumatra.
5. In Loenadjang, Java, there is an underground Communist organization, which is in contact with Communist headquarters in Indochina, Burma, China, Korea and the Indonesian Republic.

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